What Happens When Students Are NOT in Uniform

WMMS strives for full compliance with the uniform expectation through the means of using positive reinforcement / PBIS. This is our primary means of supporting students who comply with the uniform expectation. To remain fair yet firm in our uniform expectation, the following occurs when a student is NOT in the school uniform.

First violation — the student’s homeroom teacher will inform the Grade level Administrator of the uniform violation. The offense will be documented accordingly. Parent will be required to bring uniform for a student.

Second violation — the student’s homeroom teacher will inform the Grade level Administrator of the uniform violation. The offense will be documented accordingly. Communication with the parent will be made via telephone or email. Parent will be required to bring uniform for a student.

Third violation — the student’s homeroom teacher will inform the Grade level Administrator of the uniform violation. The offense will be documented accordingly. Communication with the parents will be made via telephone or email. A conference may be requested to implement a plan to assist a student with compliance. Parent will be required to bring uniform for student.

The Grade Level Administrators will address continuous violations in partnership with Parents/Guardians.

Uniform Rationale

Studies have proven that school uniforms create a more productive and conducive learning environment for children and remove many of the pressures associated with dressing in fashionable clothing. At WMMS, we are devoted to ensuring the absolute best opportunity for all students to learn and grow as a person. More importantly, we are dedicated to preparing students to become college and career ready. Steps towards this start with adhering to the expectation of a school uniform, which we appreciate, and applaud all of our parents and students to date.

Outcomes of a School Uniform:

- To represent the school with pride
- To develop a sense of community
- To create a safe and orderly learning environment
- To focus student attention on academics
- To ensure easy identification of students
- To be more cost effective for Parents/Guardians
- To prepare students to become career ready

Exceptions to the Uniform Expectation

No student will be considered non-compliant with the uniform expectation under the following conditions:

- During the first week after a student transfers from another system and or school.
- When sponsors/advisors have obtained permission from the Principal and require students to dress in uniforms such as band, chorus, sports teams, etc.
- In the event of a verified emergency determined by an administrator.

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Uniform Expectation
2018-2019

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WMMS Uniform Guidelines

Shirts: Solid Polo Style Shirt or Button Down Dress Shirts are acceptable. All boys wear white button up shirts and neckties each day. Boys have the option to wear their grade level polo shirt on Fridays. All girls wear polo shirts.

Grade 6: Navy Blue
Grade 7: Light Blue
Grade 8: Red

Pants: Khaki/tan, Dark Blue, or Black Bottoms (this may include long pants, capris (knee length), skirts, jumpers or shorts).

Shoes: Open toed shoes, sandals, flip-flops, etc. are a safety hazard within our three-floor schoolhouse; therefore, are not allowed to be worn.

Incentives for Uniform Compliance

We are planning monthly ‘Dress Out of Uniform’ days geared around various themes. Students will have an opportunity to choose a few of the themes for the entire school. Below are a few that we have confirmed so far which further demonstrates our goal of creating a strong sense of community at WMMS.

- Purple Pride Friday—Go Ravens!
- Pink with a Purpose—Cancer Awareness
- White Affair—Pre-Summer Theme
- SANTA RED—Collection of items for the less fortunate
- Blacked Out—Black History Month Theme
- Student Choice Days
- Field trips
- Various Extra-curricular activities

Unacceptable Uniform Excuses

- I didn’t wash my clothes
- My shoes/clothes got wet or dirty
- I thought we could wear this

Unacceptable Uniform Practices

- Wearing shirts that are not the appropriate grade level color
- Clothing that is too tight (i.e. Jeggins, Yoga)
- Clothing that you can see through
- Pants that are torn, ripped, cut or altered
- Collarless t-shirts worn as a uniform shirt

Important Uniform Issues

- Medical and/or religious reasons for not being able to comply with the uniform procedure request proper medical documentation by a physician or proper documentation from the parent/guardian that can be verified.
- Slashed clothing, tight spandex, sheer lace, fishnet tops, halter and tank tops, sunglasses, hats, bandannas, rosaries (unless for religious reasons) or chains should not be worn to school.

Cold Weather Outer (Inner) Wear

Definition of ‘Uniform consistent’: Clothing that is worn in addition to the school uniform pants and shirt that is the same color as the grade level polo shirt, tie, or khaki options.

- Red Tie = Red Sweater | Navy Polo = Navy Vest

- Sweaters, light jackets, vests, etc. MUST be either Red, Light blue, Navy blue, Tan, White, or Black. NO other colors will be permitted.

- The outerwear should be solid without large logos, designs, and/or patterns.

- Long sleeved shirts may be worn under the grade appropriate color uniform shirt but must be ‘uniform consistent.’

- A solid sweater, cardigan, or vest that is ‘uniform consistent’ may be worn over the grade appropriate colored uniform shirt. This over garment is not a replacement for the expected uniform shirt and polo/tie is expected.

- Coats, jackets, and head coverings (unless for religious reasons) may NOT be worn during the school day and must be placed in the student’s locker upon arrival to school.

- DENIM, Gray tops, and HOODIES are NOT an option!

Visual References of Acceptable Clothing Supplements

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